Congress of the United States

House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-0306

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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman House Committee on Appropriations H-307 The Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member House Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth House Office Building Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for the Casa Grande Thornton Road Widening project for fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Casa Grande, Arizona.

The funding would be used to widen Thornton Road, a minor arterial, to two lanes in the southbound direction and one lane in the northbound direction. Thornton Road has an at-grade crossing of the Union Pacific Railroad approximately 100 feet north of Main Ave. Thornton Road experiences significant traffic back up when a train is present, several times a day. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds as building transportation infrastructure provides good-paying construction jobs in the short term, and provides improved community mobility for decades to come. This project addresses safety and traffic flow improvement in Casa Grande's industrially-zoned area, thus directly benefitting the manufacturing sector of the local and regional economy. Building transportation infrastructure provides good-paying construction jobs in the short term, and provides improved community mobility for decades to come. This project addresses safety and traffic flow improvement in Casa Grande's industrially-zoned area, thus directly benefitting the manufacturing sector of the local and regional economy.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes in 23 USC 133(b) (Surface Transportation Block Grant Program).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Juan Ciscomani

Member of Congress